

of the various ear tests. It is necessary to have these findings in every suspected case of brain lesion.

The suggestion that we have one branch of the vestibular nerve supplying the external semicircular canal and another branch supplying the vertical canals and pursuing a different pathway in the brain, is important and appears to be pretty well substantiated by Jones. If proven by future work to be true it will be a very valuable aid in localizing brain lesions.

An immense field for investigation and careful work lies before those engaged in otology, and this must be done in conjunction with the neurologist and general practitioner.

This volume should be in the possession of every physician.
H. McN.

Text Book of Home Nursing. By Eveleen Harrison. 193 pp. 2nd ed. revised. N. Y.: Macmillan. 1918. Price \$1.10.

This book of Home Nursing will be a useful guide to those who, without much instruction, are obliged to care for their sick for the descriptions of procedures are clear and concise and should be easily followed. The book also contains directions for the first aid treatment in emergencies and recipes for preparing appropriate foods for invalid dietary.

Notes on Pathological and Operative Obstetrics. By Lyle G. McNeile. 215 Pages. Published by Division of Obstetrics, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Medical Department of the University of Southern California. Los Angeles: 1919. Price \$2.00.

An excellent handbook of pocket size. It is essentially brief and surprisingly complete. Each of the eight sections deals with pathological conditions, normal obstetrics having been omitted. Each subject is considered in systematic order, beginning with definition, taking up types of the disease or condition, etiology, pathology, symptoms, diagnosis, differential diagnosis, prognosis, prophylaxis and treatment. The different subjects have been handled in a liberal manner, each having been approached from several angles. There is no set idea carried out, as to the manner in which certain conditions must be treated. The reader is presented with practically all of the accepted methods of procedure in a few concise sentences, and from among these he may choose such as are particularly suited to the case in hand.

On first seeing the book, one's feeling is that it is too small to cover the field of its subject, yet one finds practically no important point neglected. It is not a text book, but rather a handy complete notebook.
K. L. S.

Diseases of Infancy and Childhood. By Henry Koplik. Fourth edition, revised and enlarged. Illustrated with 239 engravings and 25 plates in color and monochrome. 928 pages. New York: Lea & Febiger. 1918.

This book is valuable to the medical student and the general practitioner treating children, particularly as an aid to diagnosis. Its greatest value lies in the logically arranged and detailed descriptions of common and important conditions. Etiology, pathology, symptomatology and differential diagnosis are dwelt upon; cases are given and statistics quoted which contribute directly to a clear understanding of the subject. The illustrations of actual cases are numerous and helpful; the color plates are excellent. The book includes, in, mental and nervous diseases, but the rarer and more specialized aspects of the various disorders are dismissed briefly. The subject matter is arranged by diseases of systems and is made readily available by an excellent index. Particularly valuable are the chapters on acute diseases, specific infections, diseases of the digestive tract, tuberculosis and syphilis. The book brings much

new material, the results of recent work on poliomyelitis, meningitis, acidosis, etc. The section on infant feeding is comprehensive, but presents some difficulties of application to one unfamiliar with the subject of milk modification and specialized foods. The student will appreciate the section on diagnostic methods and therapy. Treatment is discussed briefly with little or no detail as to method and dosage, so that the book is somewhat disappointing as a reference for therapy. Its great value lies in sections bearing on diagnosis and pathology.
P. P. P.

Immunity

LOS ANGELES SIGN-POSTS.

To the Editor:

Owing to the peculiarly sensitive condition of mortal mind in Los Angeles County, it occurs to me that all automobile sign-posts reading: Danger, Go Slow, should be changed to: God is Love!

THOUGHTFUL CITIZEN.

April 20, 1919.

AGREES WITH WOMAN PHYSICIAN.

To the Editor:

Hip! Hip! Hoorah! I am glad that one woman had the nerve to say in print what a lot of us think, that women physicians got a raw deal from the war department and also, I am glad that she had a chance to get her letter in print. The facts cannot be concealed. Why should women physicians not receive the same rank, salary, and authority as men physicians, when the work and responsibility are the same?

Again wrathfully yours,

ANOTHER WOMAN PHYSICIAN.

April 11, 1919.

DISAGREES WITH WOMAN PHYSICIAN.

To the Editor:

I wish to protest most emphatically against the tone and spirit of the outrageous letter entitled "A Just Complaint From a Woman Physician" in the Immunity department of the April Journal. Women physicians did receive recognition from the War Department and patriotism alone, let alone decency, would require that they show a spirit of service and loyalty which would make them willing to serve in whatever capacity their labor could be most useful. That most of them did this, is a well known fact. I am, therefore, the more surprised that such a lucubration should be possible from a woman physician, and I am even surprised that it should receive publicity at the hands of the Journal.

Very truly,

K. L. A.

April 18, 1919.

Correspondence

NEVADA INVITATION.

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Nevada State Medical Association I extend a hearty invitation to the California State Medical Association to attend our meeting at Lake Tahoe Tavern on June 20th and 21st.

We are expecting a large attendance and a good time, with plenty of riotous living on the part of the Nevada crowd, who see one last chance to get good and wet before the whole country becomes a desert.

If any of your members will favor us with papers we will be glad to have them do so, and I would like to know about it as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

HORACE J. BROWN,
Sec'y-Treas.